Creation of two Divisions in the Public Works Department in Hassan District.

*Q.—495. Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether representation are made to the Government to create two Divisions in Public Works Department in Hassan District in view of the heavy work-load in Public Works Department Executive Engineer's Office;

(*b*) if so, whether Government intend to create one more Division?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

Reasons for Clubbing the Bangalore City proper and District areas to one unit.

*Q.—504. Sri C. M. REVANASIDDAIAH (Siruguppa).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the reasons for clubbing the Bangalore City proper and District areas to one Unit for the purpose of Excise shop auctions;

(*b*) what are the sale amounts of every year from 1955 to 1962;

(*c*) how many bidders competed in the recent bid for 1962-63 and what is the final bid amount;

(*d*) whether they intend introducing tender *cum* sale system hereafter

(*e*) whether they intend to divide this big District to 10 or 20 equal parts and conduct the bid separately for every Division?

A.—Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Minister for Law).—

(*a*) Clubbing of the excise shops in City and District area was not made in any item at first, for purposes of auction. Shops of Carporation area and other Taluks were at first put up for sale in separate groups, *i.e.*, forming Corporation area as one group and each Taluk as a separate group in toddy and arrack. All other shops such as Beer Taverns, Bottle Beer Shop and Special Liquor shops were offered for sale individually as per sale Notification. When no good bids and not even current rentals were received, there was no alternative except forming larger groups, resulting in considerable big increase in revenue.

(*b*) *Vide* Statement 'A' appended.